

## SYZYGIES OF THE VERONESE MODULES

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*We study the minimal free resolution of the Veronese modules,  $S_{n,d,k} = \bigoplus_{i \geq 0} S_{k+id}$ , where  $S = \mathbb{K}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ , by giving a formula for the Betti numbers in terms of the reduced homology of some skeleton of a simplicial complex. We prove that  $S_{n,d,k}$  is Cohen–Macaulay if and only if  $k < d$ , and that its minimal resolution is pure and has some linearity features when  $k > d(n-1) - n$ . We prove combinatorially that the resolution of  $S_{2,d,k}$  is pure. We show that  $HS(S_{n,d,k}; z) = \frac{1}{(n-1)!} \frac{d^{n-1}}{dz^{n-1}} \left[ \frac{z^{k+n-1}}{1-z^d} \right]$ . As an application, we calculate the complete Betti diagrams of the Veronese rings  $\mathbb{K}[x, y, z]^{(d)}$ , for  $d = 4, 5$ , and  $\mathbb{K}[x, y, z, u]^{(3)}$ .*

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Given a graded ring  $S = \bigoplus_{i \geq 0} S_i$ , the Veronese subring  $S^{(d)}$  is defined as  $\bigoplus_{i \geq 0} S_{id}$  and the Veronese modules  $S_{n,d,k}$ , which are modules over the Veronese subring, are  $\bigoplus_{i \geq 0} S_{k+id}$ .

In this article, we set  $S = \mathbb{K}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ , where  $\mathbb{K}$  is a field, and we deal with the syzygies of the Veronese modules. Since  $S^{(d)}$  can be presented as  $R/I$ , where  $R$  is a polynomial ring and  $I$  a binomial ideal, in what follows, we will consider  $S_{n,d,k}$  as an  $R$ -module (see Section 1).

There has been a lot of effort already to find the graded Betti numbers of the Veronese ring  $S^{(d)}$ . The problem can be really hard, namely, in [10], Ein and Lazarsfeld showed that for  $d \gg 0$  the graded Betti numbers  $\beta_{i,j}(S^{(d)}) \neq 0$  for many  $j$  if  $i$  is large: in particular, they proved that, for  $d \gg 0$  there exist  $l_1, l_2$  such that  $\beta_{p,p+q} \neq 0$  for all  $p$  in the range  $l_1 d^{q-1} \leq p \leq \binom{d+n}{n} - l_2 d^{n-q}$ .

It is known (see references in [18]) that  $\beta_i = \beta_{i,(i+1)d}$ , for all  $i > 0$ , in the cases  $n = 2$  or  $(d, n) = (2, 3)$ . Instead, when  $d = 2$  and  $n > 3$ , we have that the equality holds for  $i \leq 5$ . In addition, for  $d = 2$ , all Betti numbers have been determined. In case  $n, d \geq 3$ , Ottaviani and Paoletti (in [18]) also proved that  $\beta_i \neq \beta_{i,(i+1)d}$ , for all  $i > 3d - 3$ , and conjectured that the equality holds for  $i \leq 3d - 3$ . They proved

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their conjecture for  $n = 3$  and  $(d, n) = (3, 4)$ . Bruns et al. in [4], provided another proof for  $n = 3$ . In [20], Rubei showed that, for  $d = 3$ ,  $\mathbb{K}[x_1, \dots, x_n]^{(3)}$  has a linear resolution up to order 4, for all  $n$ . She also proved that, if  $\mathbb{K}[x_1, \dots, x_p]^{(d)}$  has a linear resolution up to order  $p$ , then  $\mathbb{K}[x_1, \dots, x_n]^{(d)}$  has the same property for all  $n \geq p$ .

Moreover, in [12], Goto and Watanabe proved that the Veronese module  $S_{n,d,k}$  is Cohen–Macaulay when  $k < d$ , and that the canonical module of  $S^{(d)}$  is given by the Veronese module  $S_{n,d,d-n}$  (these results can also be found in [5, Section 3]).

Furthermore, in [1], Aramova et al. proved that the resolution of  $S_{n,d,k}$  as  $S^{(d)}$ -module is linear.

In [8], Campillo and Marijuán showed a way to compute the Betti numbers of numerical semigroup rings in terms of homology of a certain simplicial complex. Later, in order to calculate the Betti numbers of affine semigroup rings, Bruns and Herzog, in [6], reintroduced Campillo and Marijuán’s simplicial complex, calling it *squarefree divisor complex*,  $\Delta_c$  (see Section 1). In particular, they gave a formula for  $\beta_{i,j}(S^{(d)})$  in terms of the dimension of the reduced homology of  $\Delta_c$ . Recently, in [19], Paul gave another description of the graded Betti numbers of semigroup rings (actually, he worked in a more general environment) in terms of the reduced homology of a simplicial complex,  $\Gamma_c$ , called *pile simplicial complex*.

In this article, we concentrate on the syzygies of  $S_{n,d,k}$ . We will use combinatorial methods, and precisely we will relate the Betti numbers of the Veronese modules to the simplicial complex introduced by Paul. We would like to point out that some of these results may be as well obtained using alternative approaches and using methods like the Koszul cohomology. We are pursuing the combinatorial approach due to the simple proofs that it leads us to. It is worth to mention a few articles that deal with syzygies of commutative rings using similar simplicial complexes: for instance, Vu, in [24], uses squarefree divisor complexes for proving the Koszul property of the pinched Veronese varieties; similar approaches can also be found in [7] and [22], in relation with toric ideals, and in [16] and [21] in relation, respectively, with chessboard complexes and with  $\mathbb{N}$ -solutions to linear equations.

The key result of this article generalizes Paul’s and Bruns–Herzog’s formulas to the Veronese modules.

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $S = \bigoplus_{i \geq 0} S_i$  and  $S_{n,d,k} = \bigoplus_{i \geq 0} S_{k+id}$ . If  $\mathbf{c}$  is a vector in  $\mathbb{Z}^n$  such that  $|\mathbf{c}| = k + jd$ , then*

$$\beta_{i,\mathbf{c}}(S_{n,d,k}) = \dim_{\mathbb{K}} \tilde{H}_{i-1}(\Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}^{(j-1)}, \mathbb{K}),$$

where  $\Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}^{(j-1)}$  is the  $(j-1)$ -skeleton of  $\Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}$ . Moreover,  $\beta_{i,\mathbf{c}}(S_{n,d,k}) = 0$  when  $|\mathbf{c}| \neq k + jd$ , for all  $j$ .

Using this tool, in Theorem 3.4, we show that the Betti numbers of  $S_{n,d,k}$  can be nonzero only in degrees  $k + id$  for  $i < n$ ; we also characterize when these modules are Cohen–Macaulay.

**Theorem 3.5.** *The Veronese module  $S_{n,d,k}$  is Cohen–Macaulay if and only if  $k < d$ . Moreover, if  $S_{n,d,k}$  is not Cohen–Macaulay, then it has maximal projective dimension, that is  $\binom{d+n-1}{d} - 1$ .*

Later, in Theorem 3.7, we prove that if  $k > d(n-1) - n$ , then the resolution of the Veronese module  $S_{n,d,k}$  is pure (and actually  $\beta_i = \beta_{i,k+id}$ ).

We also find a general way to compute the rational form of the Hilbert series of the Veronese modules. Indeed, we prove the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.1.**  $\frac{d}{dz} HS(S_{n,d,k}; z) = n HS(S_{n+1,d,k-1}; z)$ .

Hence,

$$HS(S_{n,d,k}; z) = \frac{1}{(n-1)!} \frac{d^{n-1}}{dz^{n-1}} \left[ \frac{z^{k+n-1}}{1-z^d} \right].$$

This allows us to write a closed formula for  $HS(S_{n,d,k}; z)$  for  $n \leq 3$  (see Eqs. (3) and (4)) and, by differentiating, one could get the Hilbert series for larger  $n$ .

Moreover, in Section 4 we give an alternative proof to the following theorem about the Betti table for  $S_{2,d,k}$ , for  $k < d$ .

**Theorem 4.1.** *If  $k < d$ , the Veronese module  $S_{2,d,k}$  has pure resolution and the Betti table is*

	0	1	...	$k$	$k+1$	$k+2$	...	$d-1$
$k$	$k+1$	$k \binom{d}{1}$	...	$\binom{d}{k}$	0	0	...	0
$k+1$	0	0	...	0	$\binom{d}{k+2}$	$2 \binom{d}{k+3}$	...	$(d-1-k) \binom{d}{d}$

Namely,  $\beta_i(S_{2,d,k}) = \beta_{i,k+id}(S_{2,d,k}) = (k+1-i) \binom{d}{i}$  for  $i \leq k$ , and  $\beta_i(S_{2,d,k}) = \beta_{i,k+(i+1)d}(S_{2,d,k}) = (i-k) \binom{d}{i+1}$  for  $i > k$ .

This result can be obtained as a consequence of Corollary (3.a.6) in [14].

Finally, for  $k > 0$ , we prove the linearity of the first step of the minimal resolution of  $S_{n,d,k}$  (see Corollary 3.14).

The first section provides a summary of results about the Veronese rings and the definition of Veronese modules. In the second section, we concentrate on their Hilbert series. Later, in Section 3, we prove our theoretical result on the Betti numbers of the Veronese modules, we characterize the cases in which they are Cohen–Macaulay, and we give a sufficient condition for the linearity of their minimal graded free resolution. In Section 4, we deal with the case  $n = 2$ , describing the Betti diagrams of  $S_{2,d,k}$ . Finally, in Section 5, we calculate the Betti tables of  $S_{3,4,0}$ ,  $S_{3,5,0}$ , and  $S_{4,3,0}$ .

## 1. PRELIMINARIES

In this section, we recall the definition of Veronese subring and Veronese modules. We give also a short summary of some of the results, known in literature, that relate these with the *squarefree divisor complex*, given by Campillo and Marijuán

in [8] and by Bruns and Herzog in [6], and with the *pile simplicial complex*, given by Paul in [19].

**Definition 1.1.** Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be the set  $\{(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) \in \mathbb{N}^n \mid \sum_{i=1}^n a_i = d\}$ . The *Veronese subring* of  $S$  is the algebra  $S^{(d)} = \mathbb{K}[\mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{a}} \mid \mathbf{a} \in \mathcal{A}]$ .

A presentation of  $S^{(d)}$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \phi : \mathbb{K}[y_1, \dots, y_N] &\rightarrow \mathbb{K}[x_1, \dots, x_n] \\ y_i &\mapsto \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{a}_i} \end{aligned}$$

with  $\mathbf{a}_i$  being the  $i$ th element of  $\mathcal{A}$  with respect to the lexicographic order, and  $N = \binom{d+n-1}{d}$  being the cardinality of  $\mathcal{A}$ . From now on, we will use the notation  $R$  for  $\mathbb{K}[y_1, \dots, y_N]$ , and  $S$  for  $\mathbb{K}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ . Thus,  $S^{(d)} \cong \frac{R}{\ker \phi}$ .

Let us consider the affine numerical semigroup  $H \subseteq \mathbb{N}^n$  generated by the set  $\mathcal{A}$ .

**Definition 1.2.** Given an element  $\mathbf{h} \in H$ , we define the *squarefree divisor complex* to be the simplicial complex

$$\Delta_{\mathbf{h}} = \{\{\mathbf{a}_{i_1}, \dots, \mathbf{a}_{i_k}\} \subseteq \mathcal{A} \mid \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{a}_{i_1} + \dots + \mathbf{a}_{i_k}} \text{ divides } \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{h}}\}.$$

The following result was proved by Bruns and Herzog (see [6, Proposition 1.1]) in a more general setting, here we are only stating the version for the Veronese subrings.

**Theorem 1.3.** Let  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $h \in H$ . Then

$$\beta_{i,h}(S^{(d)}) = \dim_{\mathbb{K}} \tilde{H}_{i-1}(\Delta_{\mathbf{h}}, \mathbb{K}).$$

Let us define the partial ordering in  $\mathbb{Z}^n$  as  $\mathbf{a} \leq \mathbf{b}$  if and only if  $\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{N}^n$ .

**Definition 1.4.** The *pile simplicial complex* of  $\mathcal{A}$  is

$$\Gamma_{\mathbf{c}} = \left\{ F \subseteq \mathcal{A} \mid \sum_{\mathbf{a} \in F} \mathbf{a} \leq \mathbf{c} \right\}.$$

This simplicial complex is equal to the squarefree divisor complex, when  $\mathbf{c}$  belongs to the semigroup generated by  $\mathcal{A}$ .

In [19, Theorem 1], Paul first proved a duality formula (proved previously in [9]), namely,

$$\tilde{H}_{i-1}(\Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}, \mathbb{K}) \cong \tilde{H}_{N-n-i-1}(\Gamma_{\hat{\mathbf{c}}}, \mathbb{K})^{\vee}, \quad (1)$$

where  $\mathbf{t} = \sum_{\mathbf{a} \in \mathcal{A}} \mathbf{a}$  and  $\hat{\mathbf{c}} = \mathbf{t} - \mathbf{c} - \mathbf{1}$ . Then, in [19, Theorem 7], he applied the isomorphism above to obtain the following result.

**Theorem 1.5.** Let  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ . Then

$$\beta_{i,\mathbf{c}}(S^{(d)}) = \dim \tilde{H}_{N-n-i-1}(\Gamma_{\hat{\mathbf{c}}}, \mathbb{K}).$$

From now on, given a vector  $\mathbf{c} = (c_1, \dots, c_n)$  in  $\mathbb{Z}^n$ ,  $|\mathbf{c}| = c_1 + c_2 + \dots + c_n$  denotes the total degree of  $\mathbf{c}$ .

**Definition 1.6.** Let  $n, d, k \in \mathbb{N}$ , the *Veronese modules*,  $S_{n,d,k}$ , are defined as  $S_{n,d,k} = \bigoplus_{i \geq 0} S_{k+id}$ .

By the Auslander–Buchsbaum formula (see [5, 15]), we have that

$$\text{pdim}(S_{n,d,k}) + \text{depth}(S_{n,d,k}) = \text{depth}(R)$$

and  $\text{depth}(R) = \dim(R) = \text{emb}(S^{(d)})$ . Moreover,  $y_1$  is always a non-zero-divisor with respect to  $S_{n,d,k}$  and so

$$1 \leq \text{depth}(S_{n,d,k}) \leq \dim(S_{n,d,k}) = n$$

and then

$$N - n \leq \text{pdim}(S_{n,d,k}) \leq N - 1.$$

In particular,  $S_{n,d,k}$  is Cohen–Macaulay if and only if it has depth  $n$ , i.e., projective dimension  $N - n$ .

In the following sections, we are going to state that some resolutions are linear even if they are not according to the standard definition (see [23]).

**Definition 1.7.** Let  $A$  be a polynomial ring,  $I$  a graded ideal in  $A$ , and let  $T = A/I$ . Consider the minimal free resolution of  $T$  by free  $A$ -modules

$$0 \rightarrow \bigoplus_{i=1}^{\beta_p} A(-d_{pi}) \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \bigoplus_{i=1}^{\beta_1} A(-d_{1i}) \rightarrow A \rightarrow T \rightarrow 0.$$

The ideal  $I$  has a *pure* resolution if there are  $d_1, \dots, d_p$ , with  $d_i < d_{i+1}$ , such that  $d_{1i} = d_1, \dots, d_{pi} = d_p$  for all  $i$ .

We recall the definition of linearity of the resolution of a module, as given by Eisenbud and Goto in [11].

**Definition 1.8.** Let  $M$  be a finitely generated graded  $S$ -module. The module  $M$  has *p-linear resolution*, over the polynomial ring  $S$ , if its minimal free graded resolution has the form

$$\dots \rightarrow S(-p-i)^{\beta_i} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow S(-p-1)^{\beta_1} \rightarrow S(-p)^{\beta_0} \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0.$$

**Definition 1.9.** The module  $S_{n,d,k}$  has a *pseudo-linear* resolution if its minimal free resolution is pure and, in addition,  $\beta_i = \beta_{i,k+id}$  for all  $i$ .

**Remark 1.10.** Throughout the article, we are letting the generators of  $S_{n,d,k}$  have degree  $k$  and the generators of  $S^{(d)}$  have degree  $d$ . If instead we choose 0 for the degree of generators of the module  $S_{n,d,k}$  and 1 for the degree of the generators of  $S^{(d)}$ , we would have that the resolution is pseudolinear when  $\beta_i(S_{n,d,k}) = \beta_{i,i}(S_{n,d,k})$ .

In the last case, the definition of pseudolinearity coincides with the definition of linearity, given in [11], in fact  $S_{n,d,k}$  would have a 0-linear resolution.

Finally, let us recall a result by Goto and Watanabe on the canonical module of Veronese ring.

**Theorem 1.11** (Corollary 3.1.3 in [12]). *The canonical module of  $S^{(d)}$  is  $S_{n,d,d-n}$ .*

## 2. THE HILBERT SERIES OF THE VERONESE MODULES

Let us fix some notation. We denote by  $HS(M; z)$  the Hilbert series of the module  $M$ . The Hilbert series of  $S_{n,d,k}$  as an  $R$ -module is equal to  $h(z)/(1-z)^N$ , where in the numerator we have the polynomial  $P(z) = \sum_{i,j} (-1)^i \beta_{i,j} z^j$ .

In the literature, there has been some work trying to find an explicit formula for the Hilbert series and Hilbert polynomial of the Veronese rings. Recently, Brenti and Welker ([3, Theorem 1.1]) showed that the Hilbert series of  $S_{n,d,0}$  is

$$HS(S_{n,d,0}; z) = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^n C(d-1, n, id) z^{id}}{(1-z^d)^n},$$

where  $C(d-1, n, id) = \#\{\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{N}^n : |\mathbf{a}| = id, a_j \leq d-1 \text{ for any } j\}$ . One could compute the polynomial  $P(z)$  by multiplying the numerator by  $(1-z^d)^{N-n}$ .

One observes that  $h(z) = \sum_{i=0}^{\alpha} N_i z^{k+id}$ , where  $\alpha = \lfloor \frac{N(d-1)-k}{d} \rfloor$  and, using Remark 3.2 in [2] one knows that, if  $k < d$ ,

$$N_i = \sum_{s=0}^i (-1)^s \binom{N}{s} \binom{N-1+d(i-s)+k}{N-1}.$$

In one variable, it is easy to see that the Hilbert Series of  $S_{1,d,k}$  is

$$HS(S_{1,d,k}; z) = \frac{z^k}{1-z^d}. \quad (2)$$

We want to find a direct formula for the Hilbert series of  $S_{n,d,k}$ , and we use the following property.

**Theorem 2.1.**  $\frac{d}{dz} HS(S_{n,d,k}; z) = n HS(S_{n+1,d,k-1}; z)$ .

*Proof.* By definition of  $S_{n,d,k}$ , the Hilbert series is

$$HS(S_{n,d,k}; z) = \sum_{i \geq 0} \binom{k+id+(n-1)}{n-1} z^{k+id}.$$

Let us consider the first derivative

$$\frac{d}{dz} HS(S_{n,d,k}; z) = \sum_{i \geq 0} \binom{k+id+(n-1)}{n-1} (k+di) z^{k+id-1}.$$

We analyze the coefficient of  $z^{k+id-1}$ , i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned} \binom{k+id+(n-1)}{n-1} (k+di) &= \frac{(k+id+n-1)!}{(n-1)!(k+id)!} (k+id) \\ &= n \frac{(k+id+n-1)!}{(n)!(k+id-1)!} \\ &= n \binom{(k-1)+id+n}{n}. \end{aligned}$$

□

As a consequence, we get a direct expression.

**Corollary 2.2.** *The Hilbert series of the Veronese modules is*

$$HS(S_{n,d,k}; z) = \frac{1}{(n-1)!} \frac{d^{n-1}}{dz^{n-1}} \left[ \frac{z^{k+n-1}}{1-z^d} \right].$$

Therefore, by differentiating  $\frac{z^{k+n-1}}{1-z^d}$ , one finds  $HS(S_{n,d,k}; z)$ .  
Using the computer program Maple,

$$(1/(n-1)!)*diff(z^{(k+n-1)}/(1-z^d), z\$(n-1));$$

one could compute the Hilbert series up to  $n = 95$  in 0.970 second. (We are using a Dell OptiPlex 790 with Intel Core i7-2600 (3.40GHz, 8MB) and 16 GB memory, Ubuntu 12.04.4 LTS 64-bit). In the article, though, we are going to deal only with the cases  $n = 2, 3$ , since, already for  $n = 4$ , the formulas of the Hilbert series and of the polynomial  $P(z)$  are quite long and not elegant.

Let us write down the general formula for  $HS(S_{2,d,k}; z)$  and  $HS(S_{3,d,k}; z)$ :

$$HS(S_{2,d,k}; z) = \frac{z^k[1+k+(d-k-1)z^d]}{(1-z^d)^2} \quad (3)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} HS(S_{3,d,k}; z) &= \frac{z^k(k+1)(k+2)}{2(1-z^d)^3} \\ &+ \frac{z^{k+d}[-2(k+1)(k+2)+d(2k+3+d)]}{2(1-z^d)^3} \\ &+ \frac{z^{k+2d}[(k+1)(k+2)-d(2k+3-d)]}{2(1-z^d)^3}. \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

Therefore, one could compute the polynomials  $P(z)$ . Namely, the polynomial  $P(z)$  of  $S_{2,d,k}$  is

$$P(z) = \sum_{i=0}^d (-1)^{i+1} (i - (k+1)) \binom{d}{i} z^{k+id}.$$

Moreover, the polynomial  $P(z)$  of  $S_{3,d,k}$  is

$$\sum_{i=0}^{N-1} \frac{(-1)^{i-2}}{2} \left( a \binom{N-3}{i} - (b-2a) \binom{N-3}{i-1} + (a-c) \binom{N-3}{i-2} \right) z^{k+id},$$

where  $a = (k+1)(k+2)$ ,  $b = d(2k+3+d)$ ,  $c = d(2k+3-d)$ , and  $N = \binom{d+2}{2}$ .

We are going to use these polynomials to compute the Betti numbers of the Veronese module in the next sections.

### 3. THE BETTI TABLE OF THE VERONESE MODULES

This section contains our main theorem, which gives the connection between the syzygies of the Veronese modules and the pile simplicial complex.

**Theorem 3.1.** *If  $\mathbf{c}$  is a vector in  $\mathbb{Z}^n$  such that  $|\mathbf{c}| = k + jd$ , then*

$$\beta_{i,\mathbf{c}}(S_{n,d,k}) = \dim_{\mathbb{K}} \tilde{H}_{i-1}(\Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}^{(j-1)}, \mathbb{K}),$$

where  $\Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}^{(j-1)}$  is the  $(j-1)$ -skeleton of  $\Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}$ . Moreover,  $\beta_{i,\mathbf{c}}(S_{n,d,k}) = 0$  when  $|\mathbf{c}| \neq k + jd$ , for all  $j$ .

*Proof.* In order to compute the Betti numbers of  $M = S_{n,d,k}$ , we need to consider the homology of  $\mathbb{F}$ , the Koszul complex of  $M$ . The  $i$ th module in the Koszul complex is denoted with  $\mathbb{F}_i$  and it is equal to  $\wedge^i M = \oplus M e_{j_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge e_{j_i}$ , so its nonzero graded components lie in degrees  $(k + id, k + (i+1)d, \dots)$ .

Given a multidegree  $\mathbf{c}$  such that  $|\mathbf{c}| \neq k + jd$ , for all  $j$ , one notices that  $\dim(\mathbb{F}_i)_{\mathbf{c}} = 0$ , i.e.,  $\beta_{i,\mathbf{c}}(M) = 0$ , for all  $i$ .

Now, taking  $\mathbf{c}$  with  $|\mathbf{c}| = k + jd$ , for some  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , we aim to prove that

$$(\mathbb{F}_i)_{\mathbf{c}} \cong \tilde{C}_{i-1}(\Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}^{(j-1)}, \mathbb{K}),$$

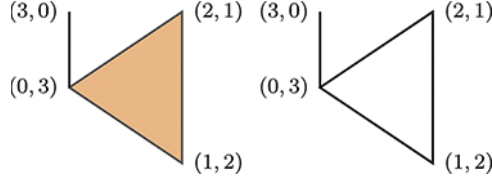
where  $\tilde{C}_{i-1}(\Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}^{(j-1)})$  is the  $(i-1)$ th chain group. We notice that  $\dim(\mathbb{F}_i)_{\mathbf{c}} \neq 0$  if and only if  $i \leq j$ ; similarly, by the definition of skeleton,  $\dim(\tilde{C}_{i-1}(\Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}^{(j-1)})) \neq 0$  if and only if  $i \leq j$ . This implies that  $\beta_{i,k+jd}(M) = 0$ , for all  $i > j$ .

Let us consider the case  $i \leq j$ , and let  $0 \neq m e_{j_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge e_{j_i} \in (\mathbb{F}_i)_{\mathbf{c}}$ , where  $m = \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{b}}$  with  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{N}^n$ . This means that  $b + j_1 + \cdots + j_i = \mathbf{c}$ , which implies that  $j_1 + \cdots + j_i \leq \mathbf{c}$ , in each component, i.e.,  $\{j_1, \dots, j_i\} \in \Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}$ ; moreover,  $\{j_1, \dots, j_i\}$  is also a face of the  $(j-1)$ -skeleton because we were supposing that  $i \leq j$ . Therefore, it is enough to consider the isomorphism that sends  $m e_{j_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge e_{j_i}$  to the face  $\{j_1, \dots, j_i\}$ . Then, it is easy to see that the differentials in the two complexes are defined in the same way.  $\square$

**Remark 3.2.** When  $k < d$ , we have that  $\tilde{H}_i(\Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}^{(j-1)}, \mathbb{K}) \cong \tilde{H}_i(\Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}, \mathbb{K})$ , for all  $\mathbf{c}$  with  $|\mathbf{c}| = k + jd$ .

**Example 3.3.** We are going to show that  $\beta_{2,10}(S_{2,3,4}) \neq 0$ . Here,  $k = 4 > d = 3$ , and we show that  $\beta_{2,(3,7)}(S_{2,3,4}) = 1$  by computing the first reduced homology of  $\Gamma_{(3,7)}^{(1)}$ . In Fig. 1 we show  $\Gamma_{(3,7)}$  and its 1-skeleton.





**Figure 1** On the left side: the complexes  $\Gamma_{(3,7)}$ . On the right side: its 1-skeleton  $\Gamma_{(3,7)}^{(1)}$ .

As we have seen in the previous proof, the Betti number  $\beta_{i,\mathbf{c}} = 0$  if  $|\mathbf{c}| \neq k + jd$  for all  $j$ . So, in the rest of the article, we will consider the following more *compact* version of the Betti table:

	0	...	$(N-n)$	$(N-n+1)$	...	$(N-1)$
$k$	$\beta_{0,k}$	...	$\beta_{N-n,k+(N-n)d}$	$\beta_{N-n+1,k+(N-n+1)d}$	...	$\beta_{N-1,k+(N-1)d}$
$k+1$	$\beta_{0,k+d}$	...	$\beta_{N-n,k+(N-n+1)d}$	$\beta_{N-n+1,k+(N-n+1+1)d}$	...	$\beta_{N-1,k+Nd}$
$\vdots$						
$k+i$	$\beta_{0,k+id}$	...	$\beta_{N-n,k+(N-n+i)d}$	$\beta_{N-n+1,k+(N-n+1+i)d}$	...	$\beta_{N-1,k+(N-1+i)d}$
$\vdots$						
$k+n-1$	$\beta_{0,k+(n-1)d}$	...	$\beta_{N-n,k+(N-1)d}$	$\beta_{N-n+1,k+Nd}$	...	$\beta_{N-1,k+(N+n-2)d}$

**Remark 3.4.** As a direct consequence of Theorem 3.1 and of Eq. (1), one can show that the *compact* Betti diagram of  $S_{n,d,k}$  has at most  $n$  rows. (This gives a bound on the regularity.) This can be also obtained by means of Koszul cohomology.

It is known that  $S_{n,d,0}$  is Cohen–Macaulay (see [19, Proposition 9]), and it is possible to study the projective dimension of  $S_{n,d,k}$  via local cohomology techniques (see Chapter 3 in [5]). Let us characterize the Cohen–Macaulayness of the Veronese modules  $S_{n,d,k}$ , using our combinatorial approach.

**Theorem 3.5.** *The Veronese module  $S_{n,d,k}$  is Cohen–Macaulay if and only if  $k < d$ . Moreover, if  $S_{n,d,k}$  is not Cohen–Macaulay, then it has maximal projective dimension,  $\text{pdim} S_{n,d,k} = N - 1$ .*

*Proof.* We know that  $N - n \leq \text{pdim} S_{n,d,k} \leq N - 1$ . We are going to show that if  $k < d$  then  $\text{pdim} S_{n,d,k} = N - n$ , and if  $k \geq d$  then  $\text{pdim} S_{n,d,k} = N - 1$ .

Let  $k < d$ . We want to prove that  $\beta_{N-n+1,k+(N-n+1+i)d} = 0$  for all  $i$ . For simplicity, let  $\alpha = (N - n + 1 + i)$  and  $|\mathbf{c}| = k + d\alpha$ . We note that  $\dim \Gamma_{\mathbf{c}} < \alpha$  and thus  $\Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}^{(\alpha-1)} = \Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}$ . Using Theorem 3.1, we know that

$$\beta_{N-n+1,\mathbf{c}}(S_{n,d,k}) = \dim_{\mathbb{K}} \tilde{H}_{N-n}(\Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}^{(N-n+i)}, \mathbb{K}) = \dim_{\mathbb{K}} \tilde{H}_{N-n}(\Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}, \mathbb{K}). \quad (5)$$

Applying (1), we get

$$\beta_{N-n+1,\mathbf{c}}(S_{n,d,k}) = \dim_{\mathbb{K}} \tilde{H}_{N-n}(\Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}, \mathbb{K}) = \dim_{\mathbb{K}} \tilde{H}_{-2}(\Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}, \mathbb{K}) = 0.$$

Now we prove that if  $k \geq d$  then  $\text{pdim} S_{n,d,k} = N - 1$ . To prove our statement, it is enough to show that  $\beta_{N-1,k+(N-1)d}(S_{n,d,k}) \neq 0$ . Since

$$\beta_{N-1,k+(N-1)d}(S_{n,d,k}) = \sum_{|\mathbf{c}|=k+(N-1)d} \dim_{\mathbb{K}} \tilde{H}_{N-2}(\Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}^{\langle N-2 \rangle}, \mathbb{K}),$$

it is sufficient to prove that for some  $\bar{\mathbf{c}}$ ,  $\dim_{\mathbb{K}} \tilde{H}_{N-2}(\Gamma_{\bar{\mathbf{c}}}^{\langle N-2 \rangle}, \mathbb{K}) \neq 0$ .

Let  $|\mathbf{c}| = k + (N - 1)d$ , and assume for simplicity that  $|\mathbf{c}|$  is a multiple of  $n$ . Consider the case  $\bar{\mathbf{c}} = (\frac{k+(N-1)d}{n}, \dots, \frac{k+(N-1)d}{n})$ . Then  $\Gamma_{\bar{\mathbf{c}}}^{\langle N-2 \rangle}$  is the boundary of an  $N - 1$  dimensional simplex. Indeed, we denote by  $F_i$  the face of cardinality  $N - 1$  over the  $N$  vertices with  $a_i = (i_1, \dots, i_n)$  missing:  $\sum_{\mathbf{m} \in F_i} \mathbf{m} = (\frac{Nd}{n} - i_1, \dots, \frac{Nd}{n} - i_n)$ . Since  $\frac{k+(N-1)d}{n} \geq \frac{Nd}{n} \geq \frac{Nd}{n} - i_j$ ,  $F_i \in \Gamma_{\bar{\mathbf{c}}}^{\langle N-2 \rangle}$  for any  $i$ .

If  $|\mathbf{c}|$  is not a multiple of  $n$ , write  $|\mathbf{c}| = mn + s$ , and prove (in a similar way) that  $\Gamma_{\mathbf{c}^*}^{\langle N-2 \rangle}$  is the boundary of an  $N - 1$  dimensional simplex with  $\mathbf{c}^* = m\mathbf{1} + (s_1, \dots, s_n)$  and  $\sum_j s_j = s$ ,  $0 \leq s_j \leq 1$ .  $\square$

**Remark 3.6.** The equalities in (5) hold for all  $i \geq 1$  also for  $k \geq d$ . This follows from the fact that for  $i > 0$  it is always true that  $\tilde{H}_{N-n}(\Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}^{\langle N-n+i \rangle}, \mathbb{K}) = \tilde{H}_{N-n}(\Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}, \mathbb{K})$ . Instead, for  $i = 0$ ,  $\Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}$  could not be the same of  $\Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}^{\langle N-n \rangle}$ . This implies that, for  $k \geq d$ ,  $\beta_{i,k+id}(S_{n,d,k}) \neq 0$  for  $i = 0, \dots, N - n + 1$ .

### 3.1. Pseudolinearity of $S_{n,d,k}$

By studying the dimension of the pile simplicial complex, one also obtains a sufficient condition for the pseudolinearity of the resolution. Namely, as a straightforward application of Theorem 3.1 and of Paul's duality formula, we can prove the following statement. Also in this case, though, Koszul cohomology can also be used to show such result.

**Proposition 3.7.** *If  $k > d(n - 1) - n$ , then the Veronese module  $S_{n,d,k}$  has a pseudolinear resolution.*

**Example 3.8.** For  $S_{3,3,3}$ , we have that  $k = d(n - 1) - n$ , and using Macaulay2 [13] for calculating the Betti numbers, one can see that the resolution is not even pure.

**Remark 3.9.** If  $k \geq d - 1$ , then the Veronese module  $S_{2,d,k}$  has pseudolinear resolution. Moreover, by the knowledge of the Hilbert series (see Section 2) and using the fact that the resolution is pure, we have that

$$\beta_{i,k+id}(S_{2,d,k}) = |i - (k + 1)| \binom{d}{i}.$$

Similiarly, when  $k \geq 2d - 2$ , then the Veronese module  $S_{3,d,k}$  has *pseudolinear* resolution. In this case, the Betti numbers are

$$\beta_{i,k+id}(S_{3,d,k}) = \left| \frac{1}{2} \left( a \binom{N-3}{i} - (b-2a) \binom{N-3}{i-1} + (a-c) \binom{N-3}{i-2} \right) \right|,$$

where  $a, b, c$  have been defined in Section 2.

Using the Eagon–Northcott resolution, it is well known that  $\mathbb{K}[x, y]^{(d)}$  has a linear resolution. We provide another proof for this fact.

**Corollary 3.10.** *The resolution of the Veronese subring  $\mathbb{K}[x, y]^{(d)}$  is linear.*

*Proof.* Since  $\mathbb{K}[x, y]^{(d)}$  is Cohen–Macaulay, it is enough to show that  $\beta_{d-1,(d+1)d}$ . By using (1),  $\beta_{d-1,(d+1)d} = \dim_{\mathbb{K}} \tilde{H}_{d-2}(\Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}, \mathbb{K}) = \dim_{\mathbb{K}} \tilde{H}_{-1}(\Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}, \mathbb{K}) = 0$ , since  $|\hat{\mathbf{c}}| = -2$ .  $\square$

In general, we are able to say that the resolution of  $S_{n,d,k}$  is always pseudolinear in the first step. In particular, this is true for the canonical module of  $S^{(d)}$ . The Betti number  $\beta_{0,i}(M)$  of a graded module  $M$  gives the number of generators of  $M$  in degree  $i$ . Thus  $\beta_0(S_{n,d,k}) = \beta_{0,k}(S_{n,d,k}) = \binom{k+n-1}{k}$ .

In the following, we will prove that  $\beta_1(S_{n,d,k}) = \beta_{1,k+d}(S_{n,d,k})$ .

**Definition 3.11.** Given two vectors  $v, w \in \mathbb{N}^n$ , we say that  $v$  is obtained from  $w$  with an *elementary move* if  $v = w + (e_i - e_j)$ , where  $e_i$  denotes the standard vector in  $\mathbb{N}^n$ .

**Proposition 3.12.** *The pile simplicial complexes  $\Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}$  are connected for  $|\mathbf{c}| = k + id$  for  $i > 1, k \neq 0$ .*

*Proof.* We remark that  $\Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}^{(0)}$  is the set of vertices of the pile simplicial complex. Given two vertices in  $v, w \in \Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}^{(0)}$ , one gets  $w$  from  $v$  by a finite number of elementary moves, and this implies that the *graph of elementary moves* on  $\Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}^{(0)}$  is connected.

Therefore, it is enough to prove that, if  $v, w \in \Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}^{(0)}$  such that  $v = w + (e_j - e_l)$ , then there exists  $u \in \Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}^{(0)}$  such that  $\{v, u\}$  and  $\{w, u\}$  are edges of  $\Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}$ .

For simplicity, set  $i = 2, j = 1$ , and  $l = 2$ , i.e.,  $v = w + (1, -1, 0, \dots, 0)$ . Such  $u$  should respect the inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} u_i + w_i &\leq c_i, & 1 \leq i \leq n, \\ u_i + v_i &\leq c_i, & 1 \leq i \leq n, \end{aligned}$$

but  $v_1 = w_1 + 1$ , and so the sufficient constraints are

$$\begin{aligned} u_1 + w_1 &< c_1, \\ u_i + w_i &\leq c_i, & 2 \leq i \leq n. \end{aligned}$$

Let us choose  $u_i = c_i - w_i$ ,  $2 \leq i \leq n$ , and  $u_1 = d - \sum_{i=2}^n u_i$ : note that  $u_1 = c_1 - k - id + d - w_1$ , so  $u_1 + w_1 = c_1 + d(2 - i) - k < c_1$ , when  $k \neq 0$  and  $i \geq 2$ . This choice does not work in case  $u_1 < 0$ , that is,  $d + w_2 + \dots + w_n < c_2 + \dots + c_n$ . In this circumstance, we set  $u_1 = 0$ ,  $u_i = \min\{d - \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} u_j, c_i - w_i\}$ , and  $u_n = d - \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} u_j$ , and this vector  $u$  satisfies the inequalities above. Namely, it can happen that  $u_j = c_j - w_j$ , for  $2 \leq j < i$ , and  $u_i = d - u_1 - \dots - u_{i-1}$ . Then in this case,  $u_{i+1} = \dots = u_n = 0$ , and the inequalities are satisfied. The other case is when  $u_j = c_j - w_j$  for  $2 \leq j < n - 1$  and  $u_n = d - u_1 - \dots - u_{n-1}$ . Then  $u_n + w_n = d + w_2 + \dots + w_n - c_2 - \dots - c_{n-1} < c_n$ , and the other inequalities are also trivially satisfied.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.13.** *If  $k > 0$ , then  $\beta_{1,k+d}(S_{n,d,k}) \neq 0$  and that  $\beta_{1,k+id}(S_{n,d,k}) = 0$ , for all  $i > 1$ .*

*Proof.* The statement follows using Theorem 3.1 and from the previous proposition applied to  $\beta_{1,k+id}(S_{n,d,k})$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 3.14.** *For  $k \neq 0$ , the first step of the resolution of  $S_{n,d,k}$  is pseudolinear, and the first three entries of the Betti table,  $\beta_{0,k}$ ,  $\beta_{1,k+d}$ , and  $\beta_{2,k+2d}$ , can be then determined with the Hilbert series.*

The previous result can be derived using Koszul cohomology. Nevertheless, this combinatorial proof shows how the topological properties of the pile simplicial complex can imply trivially algebraic features of the Veronese modules.

#### 4. THE RESOLUTION OF $S_{2,d,k}$

Let us consider the Veronese modules  $S_{2,d,k}$ . By Theorem 3.5, these modules are Cohen–Macaulay if and only if  $k < d$ . In this section, we are going to give a full description of their Betti diagram using the methods introduced in the previous sections.

It is important to remark that this result can also be obtained as a consequence of Corollary 3.a.6 and Theorem 1.b.4. in [14], by means of Koszul cohomology. We are keeping this proof since it is an elementary application of our main theorem; moreover, it holds for an arbitrary field.

For a given  $f$ -dimensional simplicial complex  $\Delta$ , we denote by  $\Delta(i)$  the  $i$ th pure skeleton of  $\Delta$ , for  $0 \leq i \leq f$ . Consider the notation  $\mathbf{a}_i = (i, d - i)$ , for  $i = 0, \dots, d$ .

**Theorem 4.1.** *If  $k < d$ , the Veronese module  $S_{2,d,k}$  has pure resolution and the Betti table is*

	0	1	...	$k$	$k+1$	$k+2$	...	$d-1$
$k$	$k+1$	$k\binom{d}{1}$	...	$\binom{d}{k}$	0	0	...	0
$k+1$	0	0	...	0	$\binom{d}{k+2}$	$2\binom{d}{k+3}$	...	$(d-1-k)\binom{d}{d}$

Namely,  $\beta_i(S_{2,d,k}) = \beta_{i,k+id}(S_{2,d,k}) = (k+1-i) \binom{d}{i}$  for  $i \leq k$ , and  $\beta_i(S_{2,d,k}) = \beta_{i,k+(i+1)d}(S_{2,d,k}) = (i-k) \binom{d}{i+1}$  for  $i > k$ .

*Proof.* From the Hilbert series, we know that  $\beta_{k,k+(k+1)d} - \beta_{k+1,k+(k+1)d} = 0$ . We are going to prove that  $\beta_{k+1,k+(k+1)d} = 0$ , where  $\beta_{k+1,k+(k+1)d} = \sum_{|\mathbf{c}|=k+(k+1)d} \dim_{\mathbb{K}} \tilde{H}_k(\Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}, \mathbb{K})$ .

If for some  $\mathbf{c} = (c_1, c_2)$ ,  $\dim(\Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}) < k$ , then the  $k$ th reduced homology is 0. For the other vectors  $\mathbf{c}$  for which  $\dim(\Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}) = k$ , we can use the fact that  $H_k(\Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}, \mathbb{K}) \cong \tilde{H}_k(\Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}(k), \mathbb{K})$ . Let us denote by  $\Delta_{d,k}$  the  $k$ th pure skeleton  $\Gamma_{\mathbf{c}}(k)$ .

The idea of the proof is to decompose  $\Delta_{d,k}$  into the union of two subcomplexes, the star of  $\mathbf{a}_0$  and the deletion of  $\mathbf{a}_0$ , and then relate their reduced homology with the one of  $\Delta_{d,k}$ . Namely,

$$\Delta_{d,k} = \text{Star}(\mathbf{a}_0) \cup \text{Del}(\mathbf{a}_0),$$

with  $\text{Star}(\mathbf{a}_0) = \{F \in \Delta_{d,k} \mid F \cup \{\mathbf{a}_0\} \in \Delta_{d,k}\}$  and  $\text{Del}(\mathbf{a}_0) = \{F \in \Delta_{d,k} \mid \mathbf{a}_0 \notin F\}$ .

We will prove by induction on  $k$  and  $d$  that the  $k$ th reduced homology of  $\Delta_{d,k}$  is zero. To do this, by Mayer-Vietoris long exact sequence, it is enough to prove that both  $\text{Star}(\mathbf{a}_0)$  and  $\text{Del}(\mathbf{a}_0)$  have zero  $k$ th reduced homology and that their intersection has zero  $(k-1)$ -reduced homology.

The bases of this double induction are  $k=0$ , and  $d=1$ : when  $k=0$ ,  $S_{2,d,0}$  is the Veronese ring, and the assertion is trivial; for  $d=1$ , since  $k < d$ , this implies the case  $k=0$ .

Now let us consider  $k$  and  $d$ , with  $k < d$ , and let us assume that  $\tilde{H}_k(\Delta_{d,k}, \mathbb{K}) \cong 0$  for all  $k' < k$  and  $d' < d$ .

The complex  $\text{Star}(\mathbf{a}_0)$  is a cone over  $\mathbf{a}_0$ , and thus  $\tilde{H}_j(\text{Star}(\mathbf{a}_0), \mathbb{K}) \cong 0$ , for all  $j$ .

The simplicial complex  $\text{Del}(\mathbf{a}_0)$  has zero  $k$ th reduced homology by induction on  $d$ . A facet  $\{\mathbf{a}_{i_0}, \dots, \mathbf{a}_{i_k}\}$  contained in  $\text{Del}(\mathbf{a}_0)$  satisfies the inequalities

$$c_1 - k \leq i_0 + \dots + i_k \leq c_1.$$

Moreover, since  $\mathbf{a}_0 \notin \text{Del}(\mathbf{a}_0)$ ,  $i_j \geq 1$ , for all  $j$ . Thus, we may consider  $\mathbf{b}_{i_0} = \mathbf{a}_{i_0} - (1, 0) = (i_0 - 1, d - i_0)$ ,  $\dots$ ,  $\mathbf{b}_{i_k} = \mathbf{a}_{i_k} - (1, 0) = (i_k - 1, d - i_k)$ , and we get that  $\{\mathbf{a}_{i_0}, \dots, \mathbf{a}_{i_k}\} \in \text{Del}(\mathbf{a}_0)$  if and only if  $\{\mathbf{b}_{i_0}, \dots, \mathbf{b}_{i_k}\}$  belongs to the simplicial complex  $\Gamma_{\mathbf{c}-(k+1,0)}$  (on vertex set  $\{(0, d-1), (1, d-2), \dots, (d-1, 0)\}$ ) (i.e.  $|\mathbf{c} - (k+1, 0)| = k + (k+1)(d-1)$ ). Thus  $\tilde{H}_k(\text{Del}(\mathbf{a}_0), \mathbb{K}) \cong 0$  by induction on  $d$ .

Now, let us prove that the  $(k-1)$ th reduced homology of  $\text{Star}(\mathbf{a}_0) \cap \text{Del}(\mathbf{a}_0)$ , i.e., the link, is zero. First of all, notice that  $\dim(\text{Star}(\mathbf{a}_0) \cap \text{Del}(\mathbf{a}_0)) \leq k-1$ . If  $\dim(\text{Star}(\mathbf{a}_0) \cap \text{Del}(\mathbf{a}_0)) < k-1$ , then we are done. Thus we assume that the dimension is  $k-1$ . Let us consider a facet  $F = \{\mathbf{a}_{i_1}, \dots, \mathbf{a}_{i_k}\} \in \text{Star}(\mathbf{a}_0) \cap \text{Del}(\mathbf{a}_0)$ . Since  $F \in \text{Del}(\mathbf{a}_0)$ , there exists  $j \neq 0$  such that  $F \cup \{\mathbf{a}_j\} \in \text{Del}(\mathbf{a}_0)$ , and thus  $F$  satisfies the inequality

$$i_1 + \dots + i_k \leq c_1 - 1.$$

On the other hand,  $F \in \text{Star}(\mathbf{a}_0)$ , so  $F \cup \{\mathbf{a}_0\} \in \Delta_{d,k}$ , and thus  $c_1 - k \leq i_1 + \dots + i_k$ .

Thus if we consider  $(c_1 - 1, c_2 - d)$ , we have that  $\text{Star}(\mathbf{a}_0) \cap \text{Del}(\mathbf{a}_0)$  is isomorphic to  $\Gamma_{(c_1-1, c_2-d)}(k-1)$ , with  $|(c_1 - 1, c_2 - d)| = k - 1 + kd$ . Thus, by induction on  $k$ ,  $\widetilde{H}_{k-1}(\text{Star}(\mathbf{a}_0) \cap \text{Del}(\mathbf{a}_0), \mathbb{K}) \cong 0$ .  $\square$

## 5. APPLICATIONS IN THREE AND FOUR VARIABLES

In this section, we calculate the Betti tables of the Veronese rings,  $S_{3,4,0}$ ,  $S_{3,5,0}$ , and  $S_{4,3,0}$ , using the knowledge of the Hilbert series and the regularity (see Remark 3.4). By [12, Corollary 3.1.3.], these give also the Betti tables of their canonical modules,  $S_{3,4,1}$ ,  $S_{3,5,2}$ , and  $S_{4,3,2}$ .

The number of rows of the Betti tables for these Veronese rings and modules is three. By using `Macaulay2`, we are able to compute the first *row* of the Betti table of  $S_{3,4,1}$ ,  $S_{3,5,2}$ , and  $S_{4,3,2}$ . Finally, by knowing the polynomials  $P(z)$  of  $S_{3,4,0}$ ,  $S_{3,5,0}$ , and  $S_{4,3,0}$ , we derive all their Betti numbers. The results obtained support the conjecture that the resolution of the Veronese ring is linear until homological degree  $3d - 3$  (see [10, 18]).

**The Betti Table of  $S_{3,4,0}$ .** The first row of the Betti table of  $S_{3,4,1}$  is

	0	1	2
total:	3	24	55
1:	3	.	.
2:	.	.	.
3:	.	.	.
4:	.	24	.
5:	.	.	.
6:	.	.	.
7:	.	.	55

We compute the polynomial  $P(z)$  of  $S_{3,4,0}$ :

$$h(z) = 1 - 75z^2 + 536z^3 - 1947z^4 + 4488z^5 - 7095z^6 + 7920z^7 - 6237z^8 + 3344z^9 - 1089z^{10} + 120z^{11} + 55z^{12} - 24z^{13} + 3z^{14}.$$

Hence the compact Betti table of  $S_{3,4,0}$  is

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
0:	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
1:	.	75	536	1947	4488	7095	7920	6237	3344	1089	120	.	.
2:	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	55	24	3

We notice that this Betti table also appears in [17].

**The Betti Table of  $S_{3,5,0}$ .** The first row of the Betti table of  $S_{3,5,2}$ , in the compact form, is

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
2:	6	90	595	2160	4200	2002	.

The polynomial  $P(z)$  of  $S_{3,5,0}$  using the formula in Section 2 is

$$h(z) = 1 - 165z^2 + 1830z^3 - 10710z^4 + 41616z^5 - 117300z^6 + 250920z^7 \\ - 417690z^8 + 548080z^9 - 568854z^{10} + 464100z^{11} - 291720z^{12} + 134640z^{13} \\ - 39780z^{14} + 2856z^{15} + 3825z^{16} - 2160z^{17} + 595z^{18} - 90z^{19} + 6z^{20}.$$

The compact Betti table of  $S_{3,5,0}$  is

	0	1	2	...	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
0:	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
1:	.	165	1830	...	134640	39780	4858	375	.	.	.
2:	.	.	.	.	.	2002	4200	2160	595	90	6

**The Betti Table of  $S_{4,3,0}$ .** First of all, since  $S_{4,3,0}$  is Cohen–Macaulay, we prove that  $\beta_{16,19,3} = 0$ . Indeed, using (1),

$$\beta_{16,57} = \sum_{|c|=57} \dim \tilde{H}_{15}(\Gamma_c) = \sum_{|c|=-1} \dim \tilde{H}_{-1}(\Gamma_c) = 0.$$

These implies that the compact form of the Betti table has only three rows.

In this case, we compute the polynomial  $P(z)$  of  $S_{4,3,0}$  by differentiating  $z^3/(1-z^3)$  (see Corollary 2.2) and by multiplying the numerator by  $(1-z^3)^{16}$ ,

$$h(z) = 1 - 126z^2 + 1200z^3 - 5940z^4 + 19152z^5 - 43680z^6 + 73008z^7 - 90090z^8 \\ + 80080z^9 - 46332z^{10} + 9360z^{11} + 12012z^{12} - 15120z^{13} + 9360z^{14} \\ - 3696z^{15} + 945z^{16} - 144z^{17} + 10z^{18}.$$

The first *line* of the compact Betti diagram of  $S_{4,3,2}$  is

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1:	10	144	945	3696	9360	15120	14003	5400	1650	220	.

Finally, the Betti numbers of  $S_{4,3,0}$  are

	0	1	...	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
0:	1	.	...	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
1:	.	126	...	73008	90090	80300	47982	14760	1991	.	.	.	.	.
2:	.	.	...	.	220	1650	5400	14003	15120	9360	3696	945	144	10

In principle, the procedure could be extended to other cases,  $S_{3,d,0}$  with  $d \geq 6$  (since the regularity is still 2), or even to cases, such as  $S_{4,d,0}$  with  $d \geq 4$ , where the regularity is 3: these last cases could be obtained by calculating the first row of the Betti diagram of the Veronese ring, the first row of the Betti diagram of its canonical module, and, by the knowledge of the Hilbert series, one could get the second row

of the Betti table of the Veronese ring. Unfortunately, with our computers (see Section 2 for more details about our equipment), we were not able to go any further in computations.

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